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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED] Coordination and  
Review Staff, Office of Legislative  
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SUBJECT: OSI Comments Regarding Information on  
Foreign Drug Testing

OSI maintains no files of up-to-date information on the testing of drugs in foreign countries. Some years ago we occasionally would review foreign research on antibiotics and pharmaceuticals in connection with public health and civil defense assessments. For a few years beginning in 1949 we assessed foreign research on LSD under Project Artichoke because of concern that such drugs might be employed against Agency and other US personnel. Information relative to this work has already been provided to relevant Committees. In this early work we also occasionally looked at foreign human experimentation; we long ago eliminated our holdings on this subject and no collection requirements are any longer being served. As consumer interest in this area has dropped off and higher priority areas need attention, we have virtually no present OSI coverage with the possible exception of an occasional scanning of the literature for a specific program. To the best of our knowledge no other unit in the intelligence community is tracking this subject now.

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